

Internship Opportunities for Summer & Fall 1999

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (CPD)



The Office of Community Viability's (OCV) **Community Connections Division** provides a fascinating opportunity for students interested in working in a fast paced office to shape the government of tomorrow. Community Connections utilizes **cutting edge tools** to empower community residents to participate in local policy-making processes.

Community Connections interns will learn, use, promote and even teach to others HUD's exciting new state-of-the-art geographic mapping software, C2020. C2020 creates colorful, informative maps with astonishing detail of any neighborhood, city state or congressional district nationwide. This mapping software also illustrates exactly how and where HUD has spent money to improve public housing, sponsor youth programs, strengthen homeless sheltering programs, and to provide housing opportunities for citizens with AIDS. This exciting new software enables citizens, governments and non-profit groups to provide dramatic assistance to needy communities.

OCV interns participate in **implementation and promotion** of the mapping software to clients, **policy development**, and **project related research**. Implementation & promotion of the software includes efforts to generate use of C2020 to clients both in and outside of HUD as well as assisting in currents efforts by HUD & the National Performance Review (NPR) [spearheaded by Vice President Gore] to promote C2020 software to various other federal agencies.

Specific work assignments for the intern may include, but are not limited to, the following:

TRAINING & PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT:

- ◆ Learn to use Community 2020 mapping software in informal classroom and one-on-one settings and make recommendations to improve this innovative planning tool;
- Assist in developing an animated, interactive CD-Rom version of the classroom training;
- Prepare maps to demonstrate the software to Congressional offices, mayors and to other high-level
- government officials, and to private sector partners and businesses; and
- Promote and demonstrate Community 2020 ™ software at conferences and workshops.

COMMUNICATIONS & POLICY DEVELOPMENT:

- Provide outreach to public interest groups, community development groups, and other nonprofit groups;
- Work with visual arts and graphics personnel to help improve the software and the methods for teaching it;
- prepare PowerPoint slide show presentations to help communities "see the big picture";
- Write narratives describing the various uses of this community planning software;





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- ◆ Develop various information materials for the HUD HOMEPage to promote the Community 2020;
- Research and chronicle creative approaches communities have taken to tackle their problems; and
- Assist staff from the Project Teams with specifically assigned "special projects".

INTERN APPLICANTS INTERESTED IN THIS OPPORTUNITY SHOULD CONTACT:

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